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WASHINGTON 25, D.C.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE SPECIAL GROUP (AUGMENTED)

From: Brig. Gen. Lansdale *2A*

Subject: Action Proposals, MongOOSE

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- A. In a Cuban or Bloc port
B. At sea.

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~~This proposal is now planned as a Cuban-run operation, with
the U.S. helping the Cubans to help themselves.~~

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3 Attachments

"Eyes Only" copies to:

Mr. Kennedy

Mr. Bundy

Mr. Johnson

Mr. Gilpatric



Mr. McGee

General Taylor

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TO: SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

FROM: BRIG. GEN. LANSDALE

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